

NEWSLETTER - OCTOBER 1

Dear Parents

Individual Children's Photographs

The school photographer will be visiting Infant School tomorrow Wednesday 2nd October to take children's individual photographs. He will be available between 08:15-08:45am should you wish to bring pre-school children or older children for a family portrait. Any siblings in Infant school will be photographed together during the school day.

Parents' Meetings

Reception - Speech & Language/ Reading & Play

9:15am on **14th October**

9.15-10.30am RE Stay & Play on

15th October

9.15-10.30am RM Stay & Play on

17th October

9.15-10.30 RK Stay and Play on

18th October

Please come along for a cup of tea and a biscuit and find out more information about how you can help your child at home.

Lunchtime Clubs

We still have a few spaces left for Y2 Streetdance, Y2 Girls Football, Y2 Rugby and Y1 and Y2 Multisports. If you would like to book your child on one of the lunchtime clubs then please come to the school office.

DIARY DATES

2nd October - Individual Children's Photographs
9th October - Flu Vaccinations
11th October - Nursery & Reception Sponsored Walk
14th October - Rec parents meeting- Speech/Language, Reading/Play
15th October - RE Stay and Play
17th October - RM Stay and Play
18th October - RK Stay and Play
23rd & 24th October - 4:00-6:30pm Parents' Evening
25th October - Harvest Festival at St Michael's Church-children only
25th October - Break up for half term holidays
4th November - School re-opens to all pupils
6th November - 2020 Reception Open Day- 10.30am, 2.00pm & 6.00pm
11th & 13th November - 9.00-10.30 Y1 Maths Workshop
12th November - 9.00-10.30 Reception Maths Workshop
14th & 15th November - 9.00-10.30 Y2 Maths Workshop
10th December - 10:30 & 2:30 Nursery Christmas Songs
11th December - 1.45 Reception Dress Rehearsal
12th December - 9.30 & 1.45 Reception Performance
16th December - 1.45 Y1 Dress Rehearsal
17th December - 9.30 & 1.45 Y1 Performance
18th December - 9:30 Y2 Dress Rehearsal
18th December - 1:45 Y2 Performance
19th December - Christmas Parties
20th December - Nursery closed for current pupils
20th December - 9:45 Christmas Service at St Michael's Church
20th December - Break up for Christmas holidays

Harvest Festival

On Friday 25th October we will be joining the Juniors at St Michael's Church for a Harvest Celebration for children only; we are not able to invite parents due to lack of space. As part of our Harvest festival we are supporting the church in their collection for the Aston and Nechells' Foodbank which provides emergency food for local people in crisis. In order to collect a variety of food items, each year group has been allocated a type of food from the foodbank's donation list. We would ask that children bring in one item that is non-perishable and in-date as follows:

Nursery - Tinned Fruit

Reception - Tinned Vegetables

Year One - Tinned Rice Pudding

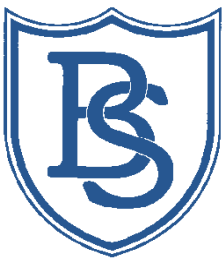
Year Two - Toothpaste and

Toothbrushes

All donations will be gratefully received. If you could send your items into school by Thursday 24th October it would be much appreciated.

Have you lost a little Brown Boot?

The boot was found on Friday 27th September after school out on the pavement. It is brown with flowers on the heel, size 3 and from Next. If it is yours then please come to the Infant office to collect.



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PTA News

Thank you so much to everybody that attended the PTA AGM last night. It was fabulous to see some lovely new people.

DATE FOR THE DIARY -

Friday 8th November -

FIREWORKS EXTRAVAGANZA - more details to follow.

Friday 29th November-

Christmas Fayre

CHRISTMAS GOODIES - We

will be offering you again the chance to purchase Christmas goodies that your child has designed. Your child will be bringing home a design they have created at school. This design can be printed onto Greeting Cards, Postcards, Gift Wrap and Sticky Gift Labels ready for Christmas. Your child's name will be printed onto all the products for that personal touch. **ORDERS HAVE TO BE RETURNED by Thursday 10th October 2019**. I

understand this is very early to start thinking about Christmas but this date will ensure all orders are completed and returned to you at the start of December. Please look out for these coming home in book bags, read the accompanying leaflet and if you fancy buying then please get it all back by the 10th October.

Reception Admissions - September 2020

Information will be posted out by the Local Authority during October.

However parents can visit their website at:

www.birmingham.gov.uk/schooladmissions for further information. Our open day for prospective parents will be held on Wednesday 6th November at 10:30am, 2:00pm and 6:00pm. Please note that this is an information sharing meeting for parents only and is not intended for children.

'Come dine with us'

Invitations were sent out last week to all children who usually have a packed lunch. If your child would like to try a school dinner on Thursday 3rd October (Census day), please could you return the form to the school office by Wednesday 2nd October. We would like to have the absolute maximum number of children possible having a free school dinner on this day. The funding of dinners for the rest of the year is based on the number of dinners provided on that day and it is really important that we claim all possible funding for Boldmere Infant School. We completely understand that some children and families prefer a packed lunch but would ask for as much support as possible.

Congratulations Board

Year One - Elsie, Alice F and Sa'rai.

Year Two - Alice J, Jaskarun and Zaki.

Year Two Parents

Transfer from Year 2 to Year 3 September 2020

Letters were sent home last week to all children in Year 2. The transfer from year 2 to year 3 online application form can be found by visiting:

www.birmingham.gov.uk/schooladmissions

The deadline is 15th January 2020.

Sponsored Walk- Reception and Nursery Children

A reminder that we will be holding our annual sponsored walk on Friday 11th October and sponsor forms were sent home a few weeks ago. All monies raised will go towards updating our outdoor resources so that we can continue to provide children with an engaging and stimulating environment. Please pay all sponsor money via ParentPay (please can Nursery sponsor money be paid by cash in a clearly marked envelope).

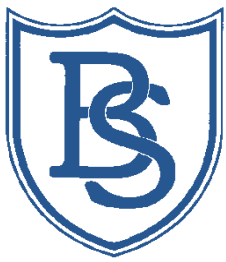
Celebrating Attendance

Congratulations to Turtle class for achieving 100% attendance last week. Well done!

Up to Date MAT information

Information can be found at:

<https://www.boldmere.bham.sch.uk/parents/mat-information>



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Busy Bodies

October's booking forms and fees are now overdue, if you have not yet handed in your booking form, please do so immediately and by Wednesday 2nd October. After this date, we will assume you no longer require any bookings for this month. We still have over 50 forms outstanding, an email will be sent out to all parents/ carers without a form by tomorrow, if you receive one of these emails please respond immediately.

Job Opportunity:

Busy Bodies is seeking to appoint a dedicated and self-motivated individual with relevant experience to join our very busy but successfully attended before and after school club. You will be expected to work effectively within the management team to provide fun, safe and stimulating activities that support and develop children's learning, play, well-being and social skills. Our children attending this provision are absolutely wonderful, and we are certain you will enjoy working with them. The successful candidate will be expected to possess excellent communication skills, good computer and administrative skills, be enthusiastic, creative, innovative, and have a good sense of humour.

We have a well experienced and wonderful team of staff who will look to welcome any successful applicant for this role, if you are intrigued and would like further information at this fantastic opportunity being advertised, please do not hesitate to request at the junior school office for an application pack. You can also check out all the relevant details on the Federation of Boldmere Schools website.

You are quite welcome to visit our busy, happy environment before submitting your application form. To do so please leave a message and all correspondence including your telephone number with the junior school office, so that we can arrange a mutually convenient time for you to visit.

We look forward to all applications, **our closing date is Friday 4th October at 12 midday and interviews will be on Thursday 10th October 2019**, if your application is successful.

The school is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all employees and volunteers to share this commitment. The successful application will require an enhanced disclosure from the Disclosure and Barring Service, and will be subject to all necessary pre-employment checks. This post is covered by part 7 of the Immigration Act (2016) and therefore the ability to speak fluent and spoken English is an essential requirement for the role.

Mrs S Kenny
Head of
School
01/10/2019